

Soft Coal Mine Afire Is Sealed

Biggest Bituminous Mine in World Ablaze—Men Work All Night

CONTAINS MOST COSTLY EQUIPMENT

Bicknell, Ind., Nov. 8.—American No. 1 mine, said to be the largest bituminous coal mine in the world, which was discovered on fire last night, has been completely sealed today, after workers had toiled frantically practically all night. Because of the size of the mine and the valuable machinery it contained the fire is said to be of the most disastrous in the country. The mine is entirely electrically equipped, not a mule being used.

Ordinarily 850 men are employed and the mine has a capacity of 6,000 tons of coal daily. Only 21 men, including pumpers and engineers were employed when the fire was discovered and these were rescued.

The cause of the fire had not been determined today. Although the employees of the mine are on strike, more than a hundred gathered about the shaft as soon as the alarm was sounded and volunteered to fight the fire, as evidence, they said, that they had no connection with the fire.

OHIO DRYS NOW HAVE MAJORITY OF ABOUT 859

73 Counties Have Turned in Official Returns—15 Yet To Be Heard From.

Columbus, Nov. 8.—Complete official returns from 73 of the 88 counties and complete unofficial returns from the remaining 15 counties, with the exception of seven missing precincts in two dry counties, as compiled shortly before noon today at the office of the secretary of state gave the drys a majority of 859 in favor of ratification of the federal prohibition amendment.

Just after the complete vote on ratification was announced, the secretary of state's office received word that errors had been discovered in Hancock and Allen counties which may give the drys a total of 609 additional votes for ratification. It was reported that 561 votes would be added for ratification in Hancock and 39 in Allen county. This would make the total dry majority on ratification 844.

The total unofficial vote did not include seven missing precincts, five in Logan, and two in Mercer county.

PRINCIPAL SAW LITTLE CHILD STRUCK BY CAR

Reilly Child Dragged Some Distance—Said Car Was Going Too Fast.

Miss Evelyn Cameron, principal of Sherman school, Fairfield, testified before Coroner Phelan this morning that she saw little Dorothy Reilly struck and fatally injured by a trolley car yesterday morning. The principal said the little girl and a number of other pupils were passengers on a car which halted to let them alight.

The witness saw Dorothy get off the rear platform and then run around by the rear platform to cross the street. Just then a trolley car approached on the other track.

The witness said she and another teacher shouted to Dorothy but the child evidently did not hear for she stepped in the path of the moving car and was dragged for a short distance. Miss Cameron declared the car which struck the child was going too fast considering the fact that school children alight from cars at that age.

Other witnesses said the motorman was alert and stopped the car as quickly as possible. The coroner reserved his finding.

HUSBAND WAS ADDICTED TO FITS OF RAGE

That her husband would bang his head against the door and then lie down on the floor and roll around when he was angry was the testimony of Annetta C. Salamon of South Norwalk, who was granted a divorce yesterday afternoon from John P. Salamon of South Norwalk.

According to the wife, Salamon was a violent individual when he was in one of his "tantrums," as she said. They had a fight about once a week, she testified, and once Salamon threatened to carve her with a butcher knife. Another time he threw the tea pot at her but fortunately his aim was poor and the tea pot struck a door. The couple were married in 1910 and Mrs. Salamon was forced to leave her husband in 1914, she testified. Judge Webb granted the wife a divorce on the ground of cruelty.

PUBLIC LIBRARY CLOSED.

The public library and all branch libraries will be closed for circulation all day Tuesday, Nov. 11. The reading room at the main library will be open from 9 to 5 p. m.

PALMER WILL ASK FOR DEPORTATION

Government Agents Get Quantities of Inflammatory Literature

MOST OF THOSE TAKEN RUSSIANS

Forty of Reds Were Arrested in Cities in Connecticut

Washington, Nov. 8.—Deportation of all aliens engaged in "red" activities has been determined upon by the department of justice, Attorney General Palmer announced today.

Details of the widespread cleanup of radicals last night and today show that more than 200 were arrested in 18 cities. Mr. Palmer has asked the department of labor to deport all of them.

Included among the material and literature seized by government agents in the raids, were quantities of articles used in making bombs, a complete counterfeiting plant, a large supply of counterfeit banknotes, thousands of pieces of literature described as of the most inflammatory nature, and scores of red flags, rifles and revolvers.

Agents of the department of justice and the bureau of immigration have been collecting evidence in these particular cases for two months, Mr. Palmer said. Practically all of those arrested were Russians.

More than 150 persons were taken in a raid in New York which was personally conducted by William J. Flynn, chief of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice. All but 52 were released after examination.

In the Chicago district, including Milwaukee and Gary, Ind., about 200 more were taken into custody, while smaller groups ranging from 50 down to two were arrested in Detroit, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Newark, N. J., Jackson, Mich., and five Connecticut cities—New Haven, Hartford, Ansonia, Waterbury and New Britain.

Federal agents generally declined to discuss the arrests further than to say they had been planned at Washington several weeks ago. It was reported that in some cities the demonstrations were to include bomb placing and the use of firearms.

Hartford, Nov. 8.—More than forty men are being held by the federal authorities in this city on suspicion of being Bolsheviks, disciples of direct action and undesirable aliens subject to deportation. The men were taken in raids by government agents in several Connecticut cities last night, including Hartford.

Federal officers would answer no inquiries today, referring all questions to the department of justice headquarters in Washington. United States District Attorney John P. Crosby said at noon that no further arrests have been made so far as reported here.

Michael Buchanaveltch and Mark Kulesh, of 69 John street are held at the police station. When taken before immigration inspector Wm. Clark for preliminary hearing they demanded time to secure counsel, saying a lawyer from New York was coming to represent them. The hearing was postponed. The two were taken into custody Friday night. Officers visited 54 Market street at noon and found a lot of alleged radical propaganda literature and a red flag. Wm. T. Hazen, special agent in charge of the Connecticut bureau of investigation of the department of justice said today that hearings for the alleged radicals would be held here and for the three taken in New Haven.

New London, Nov. 8.—As the result of a raid by Federal officers assisted by local police Friday night, one alleged radical was arrested and considerable quantity of alleged treasonable literature seized here. The search for Reds has not yet been completed.

Waterbury, Conn., Nov. 8.—Alleged Bolsheviks and Anarchists arrested here stated under examination last night, it is learned, that they were not citizens of the United States and did not want to be. They said they had been at selling and in a steamship company in hopes of buying a boat to set out of the country on. They claim, it is learned, that they want passports and cannot get them. They take their arrest lightly and freely make jokes about it. The local police are holding six men here awaiting instructions from Federal officers.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 8.—Fifteen persons were arrested here early today by federal operatives in connection with the country-wide raid on radicals and I. W. W. headquarters, two of Lackawanna.

Akron, O., Nov. 8.—Department of justice operatives, led by W. H. Kage, special agent, arrested 40 men here early today in raids on alleged radicals and I. W. W. headquarters.

FIRST COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION MADE.

Washington, Nov. 8.—The first commercial transaction between the governments of the United States and Germany since April 6, 1917, was made today. A bill for \$61,800 covering cost of transporting prisoners of war to Germany was presented in Berlin through diplomatic channels.

COTTON GINNED.

Washington, Nov. 8.—Cotton ginned prior to Nov. 1 amounted to 6,273,866 running bales, including 70,594 round bales, 14,081 bales of American-Egyptian, and 3,396 bales of Sea Island, the census bureau announced today.

DOUBTS VALIDITY OF PROHIBITION.

New York, Nov. 8.—Doubt as to the validity of the war-time prohibition law was expressed here today by Federal Judge Learned Hand. He voiced a motion to vacate an injunction classifying the Eastern Hotel as "public nuisance" under the Volstead act.

COURT GRANTS INJUNCTION

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TWO ORGANIZERS WARNED TO LEAVE

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